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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiroaki ITO et al.

Title: A PREVENTIVE OR
THERAPEUTIC AGENT
FOR INFLAMMATORY
BOWEL DISEASE
COMPRISING IL-6
ANTAGONIST AS AN
ACTIVE INGREDIENT

Appl. No.: 10/677,227

Appl. Filing Date: 10/3/2003

Examiner: Prema Maria MERTZ

Art Unit: 1646

Confirmation
Number: 8597

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on _
_.
- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on __ but not considered.
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on __.
- ☐ Other __.

b. Enclosed are:

- ☒ Amendment/Reply.
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of __ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$810.00	= \$810.00
Total Claims:	25	- 39	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	9	- 9	= 0	x \$210.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$370.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$810.00

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$460.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,050.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,640.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,230.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:		\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:	-	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL		\$0.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$810.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:		\$810.00

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$810.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 31 October 2007

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